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Michael Flowers Project Executive American Bridge/Fluor, A JV 375 Burma Road Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Michael Flowers,

Stiffener Repair between Segments 1AAW and 1AW

It has been brought to the Department's attention that the repair work currently in progress for correcting the misalignment between the stiffeners from Segment 1AAW and Segment 1AW is not in compliance with the contract requirements.

Approved As Noted DCP, Submittal No. 234R8, dated January 28, 2009, Sheet DC 104 under Section 3.5.2, "Inspection after welding of I-section (plate stiffener) and T-section plate panel," indicates that "Tolerance for local "kink" at the splice shall be less than or equal to L/150 and L is the length of the unwelded stiffener."

Based on the Department's field inspection, the fabricator ZPMC has already bent or kinked the stiffeners mechanically beyond the L/150 requirement noted in the approved DCP at several locations. These locations were earlier identified by ABFJV, and a variance was requested from the approved DCP tolerance. At some of these locations, the stiffeners have already been fitted and welded.

You are hereby notified that any repair work done for stiffeners not in compliance with the dimensional control tolerances, as outlined in the approved DCP (L/150 tolerance), is subject to rejection and removal per Section 6-1.04, "Defect Materials," of the Standard Specification.

If you have questions, please contact our China representatives.

Sincerely,

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GARY PURSELL Resident Engineer

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